

[8th April 1958]

* 636 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(a) the action taken on the petitions of the villagers of Kavandapady and the resolution passed by the Panchayat Board of Kavandapady, Bhavani taluk, Coimbatore district for the supply of electricity; and

(b) the reason for the delay in arranging for the supply?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : (a) Does not arise as no representations have been received so far either from the villagers or from the Panchayat Board of Kavandapady for the supply of electricity to the area.

(b) In view of the orders of Government since issued, prohibiting the installation of oil or electric driven pumpsets in wells in the Lower Bhavani Project ayacut area, a scheme sanctioned in October 1956, for the supply of electricity to Kavandapady could not be executed so far. A revised remunerative scheme has since been evolved excluding the wells which fall within the prohibited zone of the Lower Bhavani Project Ayacut, and supply of electricity to the area will be extended as expeditiously as possible.

* 637 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(a) the names of villages proposed to be electrified during 1957-58 in Bhavani taluk, Coimbatore district; and

(b) the amount provided therefor?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : (a) & (b) The following villages have already been electrified during the current year 1957-58 at an estimated cost of Rs. 4,24,100 namely :—

1. Vengahal Mettur.
2. Villamarthur.
3. Aymarthukkottahai.
4. Gettisamudram.
5. Puliampatti.
6. Rahankulam.
7. Kattur.
8. Koochikallur.
9. Kalingarayanpalayam.

The following villages are proposed to be electrified shortly at an estimated cost of Rs. 8,13,980, namely :—

1. Ennamangalam.
2. Kavandapady.
3. Poochampalayam.
4. Odthamai.
5. Sangarapalayam.

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SRI P. G. MANICKAM : இந்த திட்டங்கள் எல்லாம் நடைமுறை வருஷத்திலேயே நிறைவேற்றப்படுமா என்று அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : இப்பொழுது நிறைவேற்றப்பட்டு இருக்கும் திட்டங்களையும், நிறைவேற்றுவதற்கு தாயராக இருக்கும் திட்டங்களையும் சொன்னேன்.

SRI G. G. GURUMURTHI : சாங்கிஷன் ஆன திட்டங்களில் மேட்டுப் பாளையமும் சேர்த்துக் கொள்ளப்படுமா?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : மேட்டுப்பாளையம், ஸ்கீம் சாங்கிஷன் செய்யும் கட்டத்தில் இருக்கிறது என்று நான் சொல்லியிருக்கிறேன்.

* 638 Q.—**SRI P. S. CHINNADURAI :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to exempt the agriculturists who have signed an agreement for electric installation but have not been able to utilize electricity for irrigation purposes due to scarcity of water, from the payment of electric charges?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : Under the present rules, sufficient concessions already exist for the grant of exemption from the payment of electric charges for proved scarcity of water for pumping. The need for issue of any new order in this regard does not therefore arise.

SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI : 1957-58 வருஷம் சமார் 14,000 சர்வீஸ் கணெக்ஷன்கள் கொடுத்திருந்தபோதிலும், மோட்டார் கிடைக்காத காரணத்தினால் சர்வீஸ் வாங்கிக் கொள்ள முடிவதில்லை. அப்படிப்பட்ட சர்வீஸ்களுக்கு கட்டணம் வசூல் செய்யாமல் இருப்பதற்கு சர்க்கார் ஏற்பாடு செய்யுமா?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : குறிப்பிட்ட காலத்திற்குள் மோட்டார் வாங்குவதில் உண்மையிலேயே கிராமம் இருக்குமானால், அவைகளை பரிசீலனை செய்து, உதவி செய்யப்படும்.

* 639 Q.—**SRI S. LAZAR :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(a) whether there has been any cut in the supply of electric power recently in the Tiruchirappalli district;

(b) whether such power cut applies to industrial consumers; and

(c) the step taken by the Government to give a constant and regular supply?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMIAH : (a) & (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Cuts in the supply of power have to be imposed whenever the water position in the hydel reservoirs deteriorates resulting in a reduction in the power-supply available for distribution. It is expected that the generation in our power systems will more or less catch up with the demand when all the power schemes included in the Second Five-Year Plan are completed and commissioned in a few years' time. It may then be expected that constant and regular supplies will be available.